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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Application of

Shirou NAKANO, et al.

Group Art Unit: 3661

Serial No.: 10/696,508 Filed: October 30, 2003

Examiner: Louis Jacques, Jacques H.

For: VEHICLE STEERING APPARATUS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Sir: .

\frac{1}{2} Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

	AFTER AMENDMENT	PREV. PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT		FEE DUE
Total Claims	25	20	= 5	x \$ 50.00	\$ 250.00
Indep. Claims	4	4	= 0	x \$ 200.00	\$

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT

\$ 250.00

A check in the amount of \$250.00 is submitted herewith to cover the excess claim fee. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date: November 10, 2005

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 11, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. No new matter has been added.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

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